ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides an image managing apparatus offering an improved retrieving ability. The image managing apparatus manages images stored in a hard disk drive in association with image management information. The image management information includes information specified in object units assigned to objects contained in an image. An object unit consists of divisions in which the position of an object in a screen, a pointer indicating a qualification unit, a general name of the object, a proper noun thereof, and pointers indicating other object units are specified respectively. The pointer indicating a qualification unit indicates a position at which the qualification unit resides. Qualifiers appended to the object are specified in the qualification unit. The pointers indicating other object units indicate other linked object units. The other object units include an internal relationship unit, a state unit, and a relationship unit.